## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

Food and Drug Administration Rockville, MD 20857

NDA 20-164/S-055

Aventis Pharmaceuticals Inc. Attention: Dhiren N. Shah, Ph.D. Director, Regulatory CMC 200 Crossing Boulevard P.O. Box 6890 Bridgewater, NJ 08807-0890

Dear Dr. Shah:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated July 11, 2003, received July 14, 2003, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Lovenox® (enoxaparin sodium, injection).

We acknowledge receipt of your submissions dated October 10, 2003, March 22 and July 6 and 8, 2004. Your submission of March 22, 2004, constituted a complete response to our November 13, 2003, action letter.

This supplemental new drug application provides for additional characterization and new structural information on the active ingredient of the drug product, enoxaparin sodium.

We completed our review of this application, as amended. This application is approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the agreed-upon labeling text.

The final printed labeling (FPL) must be identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the package insert) and/or submitted labeling (package insert submitted July 8, 2004).

Please submit the FPL electronically according to the guidance for industry titled Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format – NDA. For administrative purposes, this submission should be designated "FPL for approved supplement NDA 20-164/S-055." Approval of this submission by FDA is not required before the labeling is used.

The electronic labeling rule published December 11, 2003, (68 FR 69009) requires submission of labeling content in electronic format effective June 8, 2004. For additional information, consult the following guidances for industry regarding electronic submissions: *Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format - NDAs* (January 1999) and *Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format - Content of Labeling* (February 2004). The guidances specify that labeling to be submitted in *pdf* format. To assist in our review, we request that labeling also be submitted in MS Word format. If formatted copies of all labeling pieces (i.e., package insert, patient package insert, container labels, and carton labels) are submitted electronically, labeling does not need to be submitted in paper.

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Please submit three copies of the introductory promotional materials that you propose to use for this product. Submit all proposed materials in draft or mock-up form, not final print. Send one copy to the Division of Gastrointestinal and Coagulation Drug Products (HFD-180) and two copies of both the promotional materials and the package insert directly to:

Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications, HFD-42 Food and Drug Administration 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, MD 20857

If you issue a letter communicating important information about this drug product (i.e., a "Dear Health Care Professional" letter), we request that you submit a copy of the letter to this NDA and a copy to the following address:

MEDWATCH, HFD-410 FDA 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, MD 20857

We remind you that you must comply with reporting requirements for an NDA (21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81).

If you have any questions, call Diane Moore, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 827-7476.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

Robert L. Justice, M.D., M.S. Director Division of Gastrointestinal & Coagulation Drug Products Office of Drug Evaluation III Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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